

Discovery House, Phillip ACT 2606 PO Box 200, Woden ACT 2606 Australia Phone +61 -2 6283 2999 Facsimile +61 -2 6283 7999 Internet http://www.ipaustralia.gov.au ABN 38 113 072 755

18 July 2002

DAVIES COLLISON CAVE GPO Box 3876 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Your Ref: 7658250

Examiner's first report on patent application no. 91347/01 by HYUNDAI MOTOR COMPANY

Last proposed amendment no.

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am replying to the request for normal examination. I have examined the application and I believe that there are lawful grounds of objection to the application. These grounds of objection are:

- 1. The invention defined in the claims as a whole is not novel when compared with the following documents which disclose all the essential features of the invention claimed:
 - 1. JP 11159609 A (JATCO CORP) 15 June 1999 Abstract
 - 2. JP 11037273 A (TOYOTA JIDOSHA KK) 12 February 1999 Abstract
 - 3. JP 10078117 A (MITSUBISHI MOTOR CORP) 24 March 1998 Abstract.
- 2. There is no Notice of Entitlement on file.
- 3. I cannot let the application proceed under Part 2 of Chapter 8 of the Patents Act 1990 because a verified translation of the basic document has not been filed.

You have 21 months from the date of this report to overcome all my objection(s) otherwise your application will lapse. You will need to pay a monthly fee for any response you file after 12 months from the date of this report.

Yours faithfully,

LIONEL BOPAGE

Examiner of Patents, Section A4

Telephone: (02) 6283 2153